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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ENHANCING

**EVACUATION OF BULK MATERIAL SHIPPER BAGS** 

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This statement incorporates references previously submitted or cited in issued parent Application No. 09/237,819, filed 27 January 1999, entitled Apparatus And Method For Enhancing Evacuation Of Bulk Material Shipper Bags; and another co-assigned application which relates to the same general field of technology Application No. 09/238,338, filed 27 January 1999, now US Patent No. 6,120,181, entitled Pillow Bag With Integral Filling Conduit. These references are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Only a copy of Wilcox 6,120,181 is enclosed because the remaining references were previously submitted in the parent and co-assigned applications.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the Background portion of the application for a discussion of the state of the art in which the invention was made.

For any questions on this art or the application, the Examiner is invited to call applicant's attorney at the number listed below.

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